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Regimental maneuvers took place in the vicinity of Sofia on 24 March 1954. Reservists called up early in March for a long period and others called up just for these maneuvers took part, together with regular Army units from the Sofia area. The purpose of these maneuvers was to study means of protection against airplanes and against atom bombing.

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Comment: The movement of troops leaving Sofia during the night of 23-24 March 1954 and returning during the night of 24-25 March was observed. An infantry battalion, an antiaircraft battery, about 15 tanks, six self-propelled guns, and several trucks were observed. Furthermore, jet aircraft flew over Sofia several times between 22 and 25 March 1954. The area in the vicinity of Durvenitsa was restricted on 24 March 1954. Maneuvers allegedly took place also north of Sofia.

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